GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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ENVIRONMENT CLEARANCE FOR DHOLERA PORT PROJECT
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Gujarat Marine Board has requested the Ministry for clearance of Dholera Port Project;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which clearance is likely to be given?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIAN MEENA):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The proposal received for prior environmental clearance envisages construction of an all weather port in the Gulf of Khambhat in Gujarat for handling coal, other bulk cargo etc.

(c) As per extant procedure, the proposal can be given environmental clearance after appraisal by the Expert Committee on Infrastructure Development & Miscellaneous Projects. The Committee has already appraised the proposal and has recently recommended the project, subject to furnishing of requisite clarifications by the proponents to the Ministry.